

December 7, 2011

Book of the Week:

Christmas Tapestry

by Patricia Polacco

Master storyteller and artist Patricia Polacco has outdone herself in this poignant holiday tale of two families, two faiths, and two lonely people united by a beautiful twist of fate.



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Mid Week Message



Board Meeting

Kit Carson’s Board Meeting will be held tonight, Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the staff room. All are welcome to attend.

Winter Performances

Kit Carson’s Winter musical (band and choir) will be performed on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 1:15 p.m., and the Winter program (classrooms) will be performed on Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. Should a Foggy Day be called, the program will then begin at 1:00.

Santa’s Gift Shop

During the Christmas Programs, Kit Carson’s P.T.C. will be sponsoring an in-school Holiday Shop for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc! All students have had a chance to shop for high quality, inexpensive gifts for family and friends in a safe, supervised setting and the happiness of their purchases were priceless.

The shop will be open from 12:00 to 3:00 on Tuesday the 13th and from 9:30-3:00 on Wednesday the 14th for parents.

The shop will be ran by PTC volunteers. We are still in need of volunteers. Please call Valerie Lopez in the office at 559-582-2843 to sign up.

Classroom Christmas Parties

Classroom class parties are approaching, so please take note that only foods that are store bought can be served at a school party. No homemade food can be served at school. If you have questions you may call the Food Services Supervisor, Jessica Wright, in the cafeteria at 582-2843 ext 125. Thank you.

No School/Minimum Day

There will be no school on the following days:

- Dec. 16– Minimum Day
- Dec. 19-Jan. 6– Winter Break
- Jan. 16– No School– Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Candy Gram Sales

Our 5th graders are selling Candy Grams. This is a great affordable way to get a gift for all your friends. Candy grams are \$1.00 each and include a Candy Cane and a Message Card for your special someone. You can send it to a friend, teacher, brother, sister, or someone special. Candy grams went on sale on Monday, Monday, November 28, 2011 and will continue until Friday, December 16, 2011. They may be purchased in the office at recess or lunch time. This fundraiser will help them reach their goal for their Outdoor Education trip next year.

Lost & Found

Please ask your student to check our lost and found for any lost items. All items left on December 16th will be donated to H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People Everywhere).

Also, with the new Christmas Gifts please have your child put their name on the inside of their jacket, sweater, sweatshirt, hat, etc. Items found with their name on it will be delivered to them.

Winter Dance

Kit Carson School will be hosting a Winter Dance on Friday, December 9th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. All eligible 6-8th graders are invited to attend.

Eligibility includes

- 2.0 or above G.P.A.
- No citations since Nov. 10th

No 2nd Chance Breakfast

Due to Winter sport activities and programs at Kit Carson, there will be no second chance breakfast served on December 9-16, 2011.

Second Chance Breakfast will resume on Monday, January 9, 2012.



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Absence & Homework Hotline

Please call if your student is or will be absent from school.

The Absence Hotline number is 582-2843— dial 2 to connect to the school, then 2 to report absent (24 hours) and/or request homework.

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You may also access this Web Page and other information from the Kit Carson Web Page at:

www.kitcarsonschool.com

Sports Information

Soccer games have been scheduled as follows:

Tues. 12/6 at Hanford Christian 2:30 p.m.
Fri. 12/9 League Tournament here 12:30 p.m.

Note: Boys will play first followed by the girls.



Concession Stand and Lunch

Lunch will be served 1/2 hour earlier than normal on Friday, December 9th due to the Soccer Tournament we are hosting. The concession stand will be open to all students beginning at 11:50. K-6 are only allowed to purchase from the concession stand once they have eaten lunch. Ice-Cream will still be served as usual. All 7-8 graders have the option to eat lunch in the cafeteria or at the concession stand. As a courtesy to the cafeteria, please remind your student that if they plan on eating from the concession stand that they not order through the cafeteria.

Adult volunteer concession workers are greatly and highly needed. Please call Valerie at 582-2843 to sign-up.

Foggy Day Schedule

Parents and students are encouraged to watch Channel 18, listen to radio stations KMJ and KJUG, or call the school at 582-2843 to hear a recorded message regarding the foggy day bus schedule. Because some areas are clear of fog while other areas are foggy, for safety's sake please delay bringing your child to school if heavy fog persists in your area.

The foggy day schedules are as follows:

PLAN A: Buses are delayed one hour; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.

PLAN B: Buses are delayed two hours; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.

PLAN C: Bus runs in the morning are canceled; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.

PLAN D: Both morning and afternoon bus runs are canceled; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.

When driving your children to school, please use your best judgment, and bring them to school when you feel it is safe.

Box Top for Education

During the two-month "Ford Drives Box Tops" sweepstakes, Ford will provide sweepstakes winners with eBoxTops, which will be automatically credited to the school of their choice. Five 10,000 Box Top prizes worth \$1,000 and one 200,000 Box Tops prize worth \$20,000 will be given to the BTFE-eligible school of the winner's choice at the end of the Sweepstakes. Schools can use the money in any way they choose.

Here is how you can earn points for Kit Carson:

Go to www.forddrivesboxtops.com, complete the registration (It does not take long at all) and follow the links and instructions to earn eBoxTops by completing the following tasks: 1) Watch a video: Click on a video and watch it (total of five (5) videos). Earn five (5) eBoxTops for each watched video. 2) Request a Ford Vehicle brochure: click and follow directions to request a brochure. Once you receive the brochure in the mail follow the directions to enter the code to earn ten (1) eBoxTops. 3) Purchase/lease a Ford Automobile: Purchase or lease a participating Ford automobile at a participating dealership. You will receive a code that you can enter to receive two hundred and fifty (250) eBoxTops. 4) Ford Dealership Distribution: Receive a code from a participating Ford dealership. Enter the code to receive twenty-five (25) eBoxTops. All must be done between: October 1, 2011 and December 1, 2011.

Horace Mann Good Attendance Bicycle Giveaway!

Walter J. Sambel, a representative from Horace Mann Insurance has donated bicycles to give away to students with good attendance. Students with perfect attendance from November 1st to December 16th will be entered in a drawing for a new bike! The drawing will be held December 16th. Four bicycles will be awarded: one boys and one girls for grades K-4, and one boys and one girls for grades 5-8. Bicycles will be available for pick-up on December 16th.